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b. Nino Siccardi, alias Curto, residing at Imperia, 17 Via Bonfante, was former commanding officer of partisan formations and former Political Questore of Imperia after 25 April 1945. He is allegedly a chief of the para-military organizations in the zone. Since 1950 he has been suspected of carrying out courier functions because of his frequent departures toward the French border and for his contacts with fishermen and guides. The Party put him aside after the disorders following the attempted assassination of Palmiro Togliatti when he assaulted a priest. In December 1950 he was sentenced to prison for one year and two months. On 27 April 1950 he embarked as second machinist on the SS S. FELICE, which went to Rumanian and Bulgarian ports. In December 1950 he disembarked from the ship to stand trial. Since 3 January he has been working as first machinist on the SS ARCOBALENO, a merchant ship which touches Casablanca, Bona, and Dutch ports. Siccardi usually carries with him numerous copies of the Communist magazine Vie Nuove which he distributes to natives in African ports.

4. For particularly delicate questions, the Regional Secretary uses a personal courier, allegedly Bruno Piombini. Piombini was born at Genoa, 31 July 1921, resides at 21 Via Privata Stefano Sanguineti, Genoa. He is an accountant and is employed by the Genoa City Hall and Secretary of Comune Employees Union, affiliated with the Italian General Confederation of Labor. Piombini has passport No. 1643507/10673 issued by the Genoa Questura on 5 July 1949 for the purpose of contributing to "exchange of culture between Italy and other countries." Piombini was absent from Genoa for two months in the spring of 1951 when he is believed to have gone to France. Now that Genoa has a Christian-Democrat administration, Piombini will probably no longer have the freedom of movement which he has had and will not be in a position to carry out tasks for the Party abroad.

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